



The Lincoln School

Lincletter

Wednesday

May 13, 2009

CO-PRESIDENTS' NOTE

Please note that our May LSPA meeting is **THURSDAY, MAY 14TH** in the Library at 8:30am. We are very excited to have Jen Degnan and Chuck Pickelhaupt unveil the new LSPA website. This website is live and chock full of information. Thank you to both of them for their time and effort on this project. In addition we will be distributing the proposed LSPA budget for next year. Please come to learn how your direct appeal dollars are spent and to voice your opinion on future plans. Rounding out the agenda will be a discussion led by Jennifer Wolf, our school psychologist, regarding Dr. Brook's presentation on Raising Resilient Children. Thank you to all who raked, planted, weeded and pruned at the Lincoln School Clean Up last Saturday. The grounds look spiffy! Thank you also to Rachel and Keith Whitehouse who have spearheaded this event for the last few years. Our Best,
—Jenny Splaine and Linda McDonough

CALENDAR

Thursday, May 14th

LSPA Meeting, 8:30 am

Monday, May 25th

No School, Memorial Day

Tuesday, June 9th

End-of-the-Year Picnic, 5:30-7:00pm

HEALTH OFFICE UPDATE: I am encouraging parents to continue checking their kids' heads for lice/nits. Thank you to those who have identified them and reported it to me. I have been checking the classrooms of those affected. Remember Spring means baseball, biking, softball, lacrosse, and lots of shared helmets. We have recommended not sharing helmets with teammates, and if that is not an option, try keeping a baseball cap, or thin knit cap on your child's head under the helmet. Label all caps/lids.

—Lynn Vozzella, RN

ELEMENTARY CHORUS CONCERT

Thursday, May 14, 7pm, WHS Auditorium
Come hear your 4th & 5th grade sons, daughters & friends sing everything from

folk to rock and from pirate songs to "Favorite Things" all performed by our talented Elementary Chorus Members. And for all of you 3rd and 4th grade students who love to sing, now is the time to check out District Wide Elementary Chorus, and make plans to sign up for chorus next year!

FIELD DAY: JUNE 5th

It is time to start planning....Field Day is almost here! Lincoln School Field Day is set for Friday, June 5th (rain date Friday June 12th). Yeah!! We will need **MANY** Volunteers to help that day. No experience is necessary, just the desire to help make this a GREAT event for the Lincoln School students! Get a friend, sign up together and have a fantastic day!

Contact Emily Ehl at e.ehl@verizon.net or Jill Abrahamsen at jabrahamsen@mac.com if you would like to help with:

- 1) Setting up early on the morning of the event (6:30-8:30)
 - 2) Running and Event/Game during the morning and/or afternoon session
Morning Session (8:45-11:00):
 —Games for gr K-2 (Manchester Fld)
 —Enrichment & games for gr 3-5 (Lincoln School)
Afternoon Session (12:00-2:00):
 —Games for gr 3-5 (Manchester Fld)
 —Enrichment & games for gr 1-2 (Lincoln School)
 - 3) Helping in the lunchroom (10:30-1:00)
- Thank you all so much, without you we could not have a successful and fun day!!
—Andrea Cogan, PE/HE Department
781-721-7017 x2023



JUST 7 BOX TOPS PER STUDENT = OUR \$1,500 GOAL!

A mere 7 Box Tops brought in by each Lincoln student by May 30th will help us reach our \$1,500 goal! It's likely you have 7 Box Tops in your pantry right now. Participating products include family staples such as General Mills cereals, Old El Paso salsa and taco shells, Nature Valley

granola bars, Pillsbury products, Pop Secret popcorn, Ziploc Brand bags and Kleenex...just to name a few. Please tear off the Box Tops and send them into the classroom by May 30th to help us reach our school \$1,500 goal!!! Thank you!

END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC

Come One, Come All to a new tradition: Lincoln's End-of-the-Year Picnic! So save the date: June 9th, 5:30 – 7:00PM, Lincoln School Playground. At this year's family picnic the librarian and reading teachers will be hosting a Used Book Sale. We will be accepting gently used children's books of all genres, and adult books, too! Elementary grade books are especially needed...ABC books, picture books, fiction, non-fiction, poetry, mysteries, biographies, and current best sellers, etc.. Book donations will be accepted through the entire month of May and sold at bargain prices (.25 - \$2.00). Please bring your donations to the Lincoln School Library. All proceeds will be used to purchase new books for our Guided Reading Library.

FIFTH GRADE FAMILIES:

THE MCCALL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU!

We are currently looking to fill September Open House Hospitality, Special Education Liaison, and publicity positions at McCall for next year. To volunteer for any of the above positions, or for more information, please contact Parent Association co-presidents Robin Wolf or Susan Verdicchio at president@mccallpa.org. Thank you!

HONOR A TEACHER TODAY

It is hard to believe but the end of the school year is quickly approaching! As you begin to think about how to thank a special teacher, we hope that you will consider honoring him/her with a Teacher Tribute. Make a tax deductible donation to the Winchester Foundation for Educational Excellence (WFEE) in a teacher's name and you will both thank that teacher and help fund WFEE programs that foster innovation and excellence in teaching throughout the entire Winchester schools. Each honoree

will receive a small gift and card naming the donor(s). The amount will be kept confidential. For more information, visit our website at www.wfee.org or download the attached donation form. All donations must be received by **Monday, June 8th.**

**ATTENTION 5th GRADE PARENTS!
INFORMAL ORIENTATION–
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 7:30 P.M.,**

CANCELLED
Fifth grade parents with questions, or who want to volunteer for a Parents' Association Board position, can email president@mccallpa.org for information.

**WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SUMMER PROGRAM 2009
PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN**

Winchester will be conducting a preschool and incoming kindergarten summer program at the Lincoln School from July 6 through August 14. The sessions will be for 6 weeks, 9:00-12:00 Monday-Friday. The program will be staffed based on level of interest but at a minimum will have a teacher and teaching assistant. Spaces will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Parents must commit to two, four, or six weeks of participation. We will not be able to accommodate students on less than a two-week basis, five days per week. Please complete the attached form to indicate which session(s) your child will be attending and return. In order to effectively plan the program and hire staff we need confirmation from you by **May 22, 2009** indicating your child's participation.

**NOW ENROLLING FOR 2009-2010
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT LESSONS
FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 3, 4 & 5**

It is time to sign up for musical instrument lessons. Winchester Public Schools offers an extensive program of instrument lessons and ensembles for students in grades 3-12. For more information please go to the following link and scroll to bottom of page http://www.winchester.k12.ma.us/business_office/busofficeinfo.htm

COMMUNITY NEWS:

**EN KA SOCIETY ANNUAL STREET
FAIR AND PARADE**

On Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16 the En Ka Society's annual street fair "I Love a Parade," will be held on the corner of Mt. Vernon St. and Skillings Rd. Fair hours are 5 pm - 11 pm on Friday, and 10 am - 10 pm on Saturday. Advance tickets are available at the Fair Grounds from 12 noon - 6 pm Thursday, May 14, and 10 am - 4 pm on Friday May 15. The annual EnKa Parade is scheduled to begin at 9am

on Saturday May 16, at the High School. This is the Society's largest annual fundraiser. Last year's proceeds supported over 40 Winchester non-profit programs. This year's Fair promises to be a great one!

**PARENT TO PARENT PRESENTS:
"RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN
AND ADOLESCENTS"**

Dr. Robert Brooks will describe factors that help children and adolescents to deal more effectively with stress and pressure and become more resilient. Please join us on Wednesday, May 13th, 7:30 – 9:00, in the McCall Middle School auditorium. Dr. Brooks is a clinical psychologist who lectures nationally and internationally on topics related to resilience, motivation, and self-esteem. For more information about Dr. Brooks, go to www.drrobertbrooks.com. Parent to Parent thanks the EnKa Society for their financial support. Visit www.parenttoparentwinchester.org.

WFEE PROM 'N AID:

Where can you find a package of tickets to the Red Sox, Celtics, Bruins, Patriots and New England Revolution? How can you find out if you and your sweetie still have that special "prom magic"? What can you do to support Winchester's public schools?

The answer to all of the above? Attend the WFee Prom 'n Aid, May 30th, 6:30-11:30pm in the tent at Chevalo Park across from the Winchester Public Library. Live bands, fabulous food, a killer auction and some surprises await. Tickets at Book Ends, T. Michaels or through the WFee website, www.wfee.org.

EN KA DAY AT MAHONEY'S

The "En Ka Day at Mahoney's" annual fundraiser will be held from 10 am -5 pm on Wednesday, May 13 at Mahoney's Rocky Ledge Garden Center, 242 Cambridge Street in Winchester. Buy flowers, plants, tools, gift certificates and more. For the 27th year in a row, Mahoney's will donate a percentage of that day's sales to the En Ka Society to help fund grants to Winchester's charitable/civic organizations.

PRIDE PARK BRICKS

As many of you know, Winchester is about to take on a very important project in rebuilding our fields. A great way to contribute to this project is by purchasing a brick or plaque in what will be known as "Pride Park." These bricks and plaques come in different sizes depending on what you want to donate, and make wonderful gifts for graduation, teacher, coach, team, events, or recognition of a lost loved one. If interested in making a donation to our

fields project, please go to our website: www.wfdc.net and click on Pride Park Bricks. For more information you may contact Susan Duffy Smith at duffysmith@verizon.net or Dora MacLeod at dorabell@comcast.net

TALK OF THE TOWN

Talk of the Town Live is a community news program dedicated to the issues and activities of Winchester. The show airs live, twice a month, on Thursday night from 7p to 8p on Comcast Channel 8 or Verizon Channel 36. The show's hosts are David Frenkel and *Winchester Star* Editor Rory Schuler. To join the conversation, viewers can call our listener line at 781-721-2050 anytime during the show.

On May 14th, join Representative Jason Lewis for a discussion on the state budget, tax proposals and funding for Winchester schools as well as other state programs. We will also take a look at the *Star's* headlines and your letters to the editor with David and Rory. Join the conversation by tuning in on Thursday, May 14th at 7pm and calling with your questions for Jason Lewis. WinCam is Winchester's Community Access Media!

**FILM PRESENTED BY ONE
WINCHESTER, MANY VOICES**

On Monday, May 11 the film "My Beijing Birthday" will be shown in the Library Meeting Room at 7:00pm. Filmmaker Howie Snyder will be on hand to discuss the film following the 53-minute documentary which takes a heartfelt and humorous look at the rapidly changing lives of a group of young Beijingers through the eyes of a New Yorker. Snyder has spent the last 25 years living and working in China and Japan and several other Asian countries. For more information about the film, go to *My Beijing Birthday*. If you would like to attend, please go to the library webpage www.winpublib.org, click on calendar, find the May 11 program and register for Howie's program. Seating at the library is limited.

LINCLATTER DEADLINES/TYPISTS

Please submit news for the Linclatter, by email, to the typist listed for each deadline by Friday at 2:30 pm. News can also be dropped off in our office mailbox.

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